



Melvin H. Tietje

April 12, 1924 - December 15, 2013

Melvin Henry Tietje, 89, of rural Malinta, Ohio died Sunday evening, December 15, 2013 at The Kingston Residence, Sylvania, Ohio.

He was born April 12, 1924 in Deshler, Ohio to the late August and Alma (Meyer) Tietje. On December 9, 1945 he married Madonna Koster and they shared over 64 years together before her death on August 26, 2010.

Melvin served his country in WW II with the U.S. Army. He was a lifetime farmer and a faithful and active member of Peace Lutheran Church, Deshler. Over the years he was also actively a member of the Bavarian Haus, Deshler; Deshler American Legion Post #316; Henry County Chapter of Ohio Farm Bureau; Tri-County Board and Board Member of the former Westhope School. He is survived by children, Juleen Bischoff, Toledo; Robert Tietje and partner Roger Longrie, White Lake, Michigan; Jan (Tom) Franz, Napoleon and Jenny (Thom) Hornish, Malinta; 11 grandchildren; 11 great grandchildren and 3 great great grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by sister, Renata (Arnold) Tietje and brother, Harvey Tietje.

Funeral services are 11:00 a.m., Wednesday at Peace Lutheran Church, Deshler with Pastor Thomas Smuda officiating. Military honors and a luncheon will immediately follow the services. Graveside services are 2:00 p.m. at Forest Hill Cemetery, Napoleon.

Visitation is 2-8 p.m., Tuesday at Rodenberger Funeral Home, Deshler and 10-11 a.m., Wednesday at the church.

Memorials to Peace Lutheran Church or Donor's Choice.
www.rodembergerfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 17. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Napoleon Funeral Home
1010 Westmoreland Avenue
Napoleon, OH 43545
(419) 592-2333
help@rodenbergergray.com

Visitation

DEC 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Peace Lutheran Church
County Road G and 5
Deshler, OH

Service

DEC 18 (ET)

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Deshler, OH

Tribute Wall

EW

“ I remember your father as my Sunday school teacher. I also remember all the fun times we had getting together at your house for our parents meetings...was it Farm Bureau meetings? Your mom and dad were both very special and kind people. They will be missed. Take care.

Frank & Elaine Wells

Elaine Wells - December 20, 2013 at 06:32 PM

KA

“ Our hearts go out to you all during this difficult time. Your Dad had a warm heart and contagious smile. We couldn't be there today to join in the celebration of his life but you all are in our thoughts and prayers.

With sympathy, Kathy and John Burton

Kathy - December 18, 2013 at 02:10 PM

TI

“ Melvin was a man who will be missed by many in northwest Ohio. He always had a wonderful smile for you and cared for all he met in life. Our family will miss him but we know that his faith was unwavering and he is now in heaven.

Tim - December 18, 2013 at 10:15 AM



“ *What a joy he was. I'll never forget how kind him & Madonna were. It took me almost a year to find out who left the peach schnapps between my doors. He left it as a Thank You when Madonna had her car accident & almost lost her leg. He always spoke & went out of his way, he was one many that never forgot a face. He rescued a dog of ours after we moved miles away. He was such a kind man. He always asked about all my family. I also had the joy of caring for him as his nurse several years ago at Oak Grove. So glad he lived such a full filling life, surrounded by such a great family. I know I haven't seen him in years, but I will miss him every time we are at the B Hays. Karren Blue*

Karren Blue - December 17, 2013 at 06:51 PM

RH

“ *juleen we are sorry to hear of melvin passing away our prayers are with you we can't be there but our condolences are with you ron and mary kay hoops*

ronald hoops - December 17, 2013 at 05:36 PM

MA

“ *You have my sympathy on the loss of a wonderful man. I have many memories of Mel over the years, including having him as a Sunday School teacher. May your faith and your memories bring you comfort at this difficult time. Marian (Richard) Beck and Lenny Beck*

Marian - December 17, 2013 at 08:25 AM

KL

“ *We would like to extend our sympathy. Melvin was always a joy to talk to. Keeping you in our prayers. Kathy & Steve Lieb*

Kathy & Steve Lieb - December 17, 2013 at 08:17 AM

JA

“ To Family, so sorry to hear about Melvin. He and your Mom were good neighbors to my Mom and Dad. (Earl and Dorothy Bishop). They all are greatly missed, but not forgotten.

Joyce (Bishop) Arthur
Lake Mary, Fl.

Joyce (Bishop) Arthur - December 16, 2013 at 10:42 AM